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SUBJ: ROMANIAN COMMENTS ON HSWP 11TH PARTY CONGRESS

1. ROMANIAN DIPLOMAT TOLD EMBASSY POLITICAL OFFICER MARCH 13 THAT HIS GOVERNMENT EXPECTED BREZHNEV TO ATTEND NEXT WEEK'S 11TH PARTY CONGRESS HERE IN BUDAPEST. SAID BREZHNEV HAD ATTENDED PARTY CONGRESSES IN SEVERAL OTHER WP COUNTRIES, THEREFORE, IT WOULD BE EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT IF HE DID NOT SHOW UP FOR HUNGARIAN CONGRESS. IF BREZHNEV COMES, GIEREK, HUSAK AND ZHIVKOV WILL OF COURSE ATTEND.

2. SOURCE SAID YUGOSLAVIA WILL BE REPRESENTED BY BILIC AND ROMANIA BY POLITBURO MEMBER. LEVEL OF ROMANIAN REPRESENTATION HAS BEEN DECIDED BECAUSE OF "RELATIVELY LOW LEVEL DELEGATION (POLITBURO MEMBER GYORGY ACZEL) WHICH REPRESENTED HUNGARY AT RECENT ROMANIAN PARTY CONGRESS". SOURCE LEFT LITTLE DOUBT THAT ROMANIANS
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HAD BEEN DEEPLY WOUNDED BY RELATIVELY "LOW LEVEL

REPRESENTATIVE" SENT FROM HUNGARY. HE ADDED THAT INVITATIONS TO ATTEND CONGRESS HAD BEEN SENT TO ALL SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AND TO PRINCIPAL PARTIES IN EUROPE. THEREFORE, U.S. CP WAS NOT EXPECTED TO BE REPRESENTED.

3. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, IF BREZHNEV DOES COME AS EXPECTED, HE WILL PROBABLY DELIVER IMPORTANT POLICY ADDRESS, DIRECTED AS MUCH TO WEST AS TO WP COUNTRIES, REAFFIRMING DEDICATION TO DETENTE AND PRESSING FOR EARLY CONCLUSION OF CSCE AND SUMMIT AT HIGHEST LEVEL (SEE BUDAPEST 0705 NOTAL).

4. AS FOR SUBSTANCE OF FORTHCOMING CONGRESS, SOURCE SAID THAT NO MAJOR POLICY CHANGES ARE EXPECTED AND THAT MOST DOCUMENTS TO BE PRESENTED TO CONGRESS HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE PUBLIC. HE ADDED THAT ALTHOUGH THERE WILL BE SOME TIGHTENING UP OF ECONOMIC MECHANISM, THIS WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH CENTRAL COMMITTEE SESSIONS OF NOVEMBER 1972 AND MARCH 1974. AS FOR PERSONNEL CHANGES, ROMANIAN CLAIMED THAT PEOPLE MAY BE AS MUCH SURPRISED BY WHO STAYS IN POLITBURO AND CC AS WHO LEAVES. REPLACEMENT FOR FORMER FOREIGN POLICY CZAR KOMOCSIN WILL BE NAMED. SAID HE HAD ALSO HEARD THAT FOREIGN MINISTER PUJA WOULD BE NAMED TO KOMOCSIN'S SEAT ON POLITBURO AND, IF THIS TAKES PLACE, PUJA WILL REMAIN IN HIS FOREIGN MINISTER POSITION IN SAME MANNER AS GROMYKO IN SOVIET UNION. HE ALSO SAID THAT IN LINE WITH TRADITION IT CAN BE EXPECTED THAT BUDAPEST PARTY FIRST SECRETARY IMRE KATONA WILL BE NAMED TO POLITBURO.
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